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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 1800 OF 2006

Saurabh Abhay Korgaonkar ... Petitioner

V/s

The Committee for Scrutiny of Caste Certificate, Konkan Divn., Mumbai & anr. ... Respondents

Mr. R.S. Datar for the petitioner.

CORAM: R.M. LODHA &
SMT. NISHITA MHATRE, JJ.

DATED: 9TH JANUARY, 2007.

P.C.:

We heard Mr. Datar, counsel for the petitioner and perused the order passed by the Committee for Scrutiny of Caste Certificate, Konkan Divn., Mumbai. Heavy reliance was placed by the counsel for the petitioner on the Caste Validity Certificate issued in favour of Kum. Sulekha Waman Korgaonkar and the geneology table explained by the petitioner's father in his affidavit dated 11.7.2005. It is true that Kum. Sulekha Waman Korgaonkar has been certified to the belonging to Hindu - Vashya Wani (Other Backward Class) by the Caste Scrutiny Committee, Thane, in the year 1992. However,

we find that there is no reliable evidence produced by the petitioner proving his relationship with Kum. Sulekha Waman Korgaonkar. Except geneological table in the affidavit of petitioner's father, there is no documentary evidence to corroborate the said fact. In the circumstances, the finding of the Caste Scrutiny Committee that no document has been produced by the petitioner to prove his relationship with Kum. Sulekha Waman Korgaonkar cannot be faulted.

2. The consideration of the matter by the Caste Scrutiny Committee does not suffer from any legal infirmity warranting interference by this Court in extraordinary jurisdiction. Writ petition is dismissed in limine.

(R.M. LODHA, J.)

(SMT. NISHITA MHATRE, J.)